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REPORT

TOPIC Military Movements in the Area of the Third Shock Army and in Neuruppin

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

1. On 5 February 1955, 18 rocket launchers were detrained at the Hagenow-Land rail station. 25X1

On 9 February, the same rocket launchers were again entrained at the same railroad station for shipment toward Schwerin.

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2. On 22 February 1955, a train with the following materiel stood at the railroad station of Uchtspringe (east of Gardelegen) headed in the direction of Stendal: 12 x 122-mm field guns, 12 prime movers, about 20 trucks including some with billeting equipment, 2 radio trucks, 2 field kitchens and about 10 boxcars with soldiers. The entrainment of a shipment was subsequently seen at the Gardelegen railroad station. Materiel entrained included: 25 x 122-mm field guns, 25 prime movers, about 80 trucks including some with billeting equipment, 4 radio trucks, 4 field kitchens and about 200 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. 25X1

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3. On 25 February 1955, The Soviet transport komendatura ordered 800 flatcars for entrainments in Magdeburg-Brueckfeld and Hillersleben. 25X1

4. At 1400 on 25 February 1955, approximately 20 trucks with several 37-mm AA guns and 3 armored personnel carriers were lined up in the yard of the Friedrich Franz Kaserne in Neuruppin. The vehicles and guns were probably entrained at the Neuruppin railroad station at 2030. 25X1

1. Comment. The motor vehicle belong to the Third Shock Army. The rocket launchers presumably belong to the 10th Gds RL Regt of the IX Mtz Rifle Corps which possibly conducted firing exercises in the area of Hagenow. 25X1

2. Comment. the units were elements of the 4th Gds Arty Brig. There are some installations that exercises were conducted, apparently in the northern sector of the Letzling Heath by the 207th Mtz Rifle Div in mid-February 1955 in which, according to the present observations, corps troops of the IX Mtz Rifle Corps may have participated. 25X1

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The present report further confirms that, upon the shipment of guns from Potsdam to Schwerin in November 1954, the brigade is equipped with more than 36 x 122-mm field guns. [REDACTED]

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3. [REDACTED] Comment. It is possible that exercises for units of the 19th Gds Mecz Div were planned in late February.

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4. [REDACTED] Comment. According to the kaserne and weapons, the units observed are believed to have been elements of the 75th AAA Regt of the 12th Gds Tank Div which were presumably entrained to Juetarboog for firing practices.

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